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STATE DEPT FOR EUR/NCE - WILLIAM SILKWORTH

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SUBJECT: ROMANIAN SUPPORT FOR LIBERIAN MILITARY REFORM

REF: 04 STATE 244992 (AND PREVIOUS) (NOTAL)

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1. (U) This cable contains an action request for State Department. See paragraph 3.

2. (SBU) Major General Alexandru Grecu delivered January 26 to DAO a letter expressing GOR willingness to provide material assistance to the Liberian armed forces (Reftel). Grecu also provided a detailed list, in both English and Romanian, of items that the MOD proposes to donate to Liberia. Grecu confirmed that the materiel is available for donation now. He requested, however, confirmation that the USG still requests this materiel for the Liberian armed forces. He also requested that the USG provide name and contact information for a working level POC whom the MOD can liaise with regarding delivery.

3. (SBU) Action Request for State Department: Post requests POC information as requested, confirmation regarding the proposed donation and specific instructions if any item(s) are not suitable for donation, such as the non-functional boats.

4. (SBU) The complete texts of the letter and list are set forth below. Post will also fax the letter and list to State Department - EUR/NCE William Silkworth. Full text of the letter follows:

"Romania
Ministry of National Defense
General Directorate for Defense Intelligence

Bucharest, 25 January, 2005

Ronald Schall
Cpt. Cdr. U.S. Navy
Naval Attache

Dear Cpt. Cdr. Schall

In response to the US request for Romania to be involved in the international effort of the reconstruction of Liberia, we would really appreciate your assistance in informing the U.S. Department of Defense about the availability of the Romanian Ministry of National Defense to provide the equipment mentioned in the table attached, with the mention that the military ship require major repair and costly work in order to be made operational.

Function of your response, we shall take the necessary steps in order to initiate a Government Decision whereby Romania will provide the respective equipment.

Sincerely,
Maj. Gen. Alexandru Grecu
Deputy Director General

Annex: 1 table, 2 pages, Unclassified"

End Text of Letter

5. (SBU) Full text of the list follows:

"Situation with the equipment that the Ministry of National Defense can make available to the Liberian Government"

Nr.Crt.	Name of equipment	M/C	Quantity
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1	I. N.C. ROMTEHNICA		
	Provides commercial assistance and is in charge with the exportation formalities		

II. ARMY GENERAL STAFF

1. Khaki duck suit	pieces	20,000
2. Khaki duck caps	pieces	20,000

Observation: all pieces above are new (first category)

III. AIR FORCE GENERAL STAFF

1. Sub-machinegun cal. 7.62 mm, Md. 1963, with common butt	pieces	500
2. Pistol cal. 7.62 mm, Md. 1933	pieces	2,066
3. Light machine gun cal. 7.62 mm, Md. 1964 with common butt	pieces	100
4. Machine gun cal. 14.5 mm, with 2 modernized ZU-2 barrels	pieces	264
5. Machine gun cal. 14.5 mm, with 4 MR-4 barrels	pieces	100
6. AG-7, AG-7S grenade launcher	pieces	50
7. Cartridge cal. 7.62 mm short bullet steel core, steel tube	pieces	751,080
8. Cartridge cal. 7.62 mm short tracer bullet, steel tube	pieces	150,480
9. Cartridge cal. 7.62 mm	pieces	100,800
10. Cartridge cal. 14.5 mm GPI type B-32, brass tube	pieces	7,280
11. Cartridge cal. 14.5 mm GPI type BZT, brass tube	pieces	41,440
12. Cartridge cal. 14.5 mm GPI type B-32, brass tube	pieces	496,560
13. Cartridge cal. 14.5 mm GPI type BZT, brass tube	pieces	931,440
14. Cartridge cal. 14.5 mm GPI type MDZ, brass tube	pieces	278,560
15. PG-7 shell for AG-7	pieces	2,742
16. Khaki summer suits	pieces	1,480
17. Khaki thick cloth suit	pieces	500
18. Khaki thick cloth cloaks	pieces	140
19. Black belts	pieces	1,000
20. Khaki blouses	pieces	16,000
21. Khaki summer caps	pieces	1,480
22. Khaki winter caps	pieces	500

Observation: figures for items 7 to 15 are multiple of full boxes

IV. NAVY GENERAL STAFF

1. Hydrofoil torpedo boat	pieces	2
2. Missile carrier boat	pieces	3
3. Torpedo boat	pieces	3

Observation: They are not functional and require serious repair work to be used.

V. JOINT LOGISTIC COMMANDMENT

1. Khaki cloth cap	pieces	2,000
2. Khaki training summer shirt	pieces	2,000
3. Khaki training cloth trousers	pieces	2,000
4. Khaki training cloth blouse	pieces	2,000
5. Light blue T-shirt	pieces	5,000
6. Dark blue kitbag	pieces	1,000
7. Dark blue food-stuff bag	pieces	1,000
8. Metal Romanian helmet (without arms)	pieces	2,000

Observation: all items are first category.

END TEXT OF LIST

16. (U) Amembassy Bucharest's reporting telegrams are available on the Bucharest SIPRNET Website:
www.state.gov/p/eur/bucharest.

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